

REMARKS

The applicants hereby elect species II, corresponding to figures 4 and 5, with traverse. Claims 1-23 and 25-38 are readable on the elected species. In the case of claims 32-38, it should be understood that the claims are readable on the figures although the figures omit some elements of the claims, such as a media surface. Further, the landing pad subject matter of claim 24, which is explicitly demonstrated on figures 6 and 7, is compatible with species II and could easily be applied thereto.

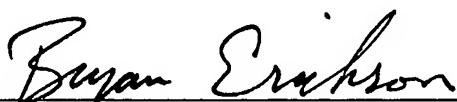
The applicants specifically traverse the election requirement because all claims are consistent with and applicable to each of the identified species, such that the subject matter of each claim is either explicitly depicted or could be applied to each identified species within the scope of the claimed invention. Therefore, the applicants maintain that examination of claims 1-38 in light of all identified species of figures together is appropriate, and request that the election requirement be withdrawn. In the alternative, the applicants make the election of species II with traverse, as noted above, as the subject of prosecution at this time.

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